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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

ALGERIA.

Deratization at Algiers and other localities—Rat fleas.

The following is taken from the *Bulletin Bimensuelle*, Algiers, February 16 and 28:

Algiers.—February 1–15: Rodents taken by the maritime sanitary service, 228; examined by the laboratory of health, 70; result, negative. Classification of rats: *Mus norvegicus*, 105; *Mus rattus*, 76; *Mus musculus*, 47. Rat fleas determined—*Pulex cheopis*, on *Mus norvegicus*, 16; *Ctenopysylla musculi*, on *Mus rattus*, 5.

February 16–28: Rodents taken by the maritime sanitary service, 239; examined by the laboratory of health, 55; result, negative. Classification of rats: *Mus norvegicus*, 133; *Mus rattus*, 66; *Mus musculus*, 40. Rat fleas determined—*Pulex cheopis*, on *Mus rattus*, 14; *Ceratophyllus fasciatus*, on 1 *Mus rattus*, 5.

Dellys.—Month of January, 1909. Rodents taken 82; 63 in city and 19 on wharves.

Oran District.—Month of January, 1909. Rodents taken, 749; examined, 232; result, negative.

Philippeville District.—Month of January, 1909. Rodents taken, 25; examined, 20; in the city, 22, of which 18 were *Mus norvegicus* and 4 *Mus rattus*; on vessels, 3, of which 2 were *Mus norvegicus* and 1 *Mus alexandrinus*.

Ténés.—Month of January, 1909. Rodents taken, 57; on wharves and in wharf warehouses.

AZORES.

Report from St. Michaels—Plague on islands of Fayal and Terceira—Quarantine maintained on island of St. Michaels.

Consul Creevey reports, March 13:

The island of Fayal is still infected with plague, although no new cases or deaths were reported during the month of February. The official returns for the month of February for the island of Terceira show 15 new cases and 5 deaths of plague. Strict quarantine is maintained on the island of St. Michaels against the islands of Fayal and Terceira.

BRAZIL.

Report from Rio de Janeiro—Inspection of vessels—Mortality—Plague and smallpox.

Acting Assistant Stewart reports, February 26 and March 4:

Week ended February 21. Vessels inspected and received bills of health: February 15 the Norwegian steamship *Polarstjernen*, for New